

REMARKS

Restriction Requirement

In the Official Action, the Examiner sets forth a two way restriction requirement. The Applicant hereby elects claims 14-20 belonging to Group II for examination in this application.

New Claims

New claims 23-27 have been added to this application. Support for new claims 23-27 can be found in claims 19 and 20 as originally filed as well as at page 12, lines 11-30 of the specification as originally filed. New claims 23-27 are related to Group II discussed in the Official Action, a process of making a multi-layered integrated circuit, and thus it is believed that these claims should be examined with claims 14-20.

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Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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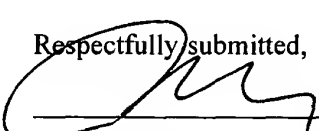
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